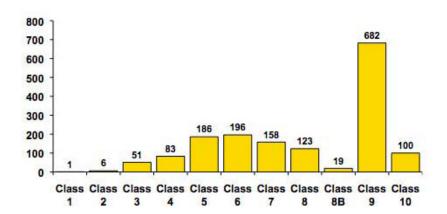
Oklahoma



City ISO rating remains at 2

One of best ratings in the state

The City of Broken Arrow recently received its Insurance Service Office audit. This year's rating was a 2.

"The ISO rating is important to homeowners because insurance companies look at this number to help establish premiums. The lower the number, the less the insurance premium," said Deputy Fire Chief Steve Jarrett. "We are one of only two cities in Oklahoma that are rated so highly. From the graph above, you can see we are in a small group of Oklahoma fire departments. The graph states 6 departments with a Class 2 rating. This is somewhat deceiving because the Broken Arrow Fire Department accounts for four of the six."

Jarrett said the department serves a diverse area both inside the city and outside of the city, and operate in two different counties.

The BAFD is a class 2 inside the city/inside Tulsa county, and a Class 2 inside the City/ inside Wagoner county, as well as Class 2 outside the City in Tulsa county and outside the County in Wagoner county, totaling four separate ratings.

Additionally, there are only 588 other fire departments out of 14,000 around the nation rated a class 2, which means Broken Arrow's fire department ranks in the top 4 percent nationwide.

The scoring method, in short, considers the overall fire department's equipment, manpower and operations combined with the needed fire flow/water supply and fire alarm/communication capabilities for the area in consideration.

"It takes a great deal of planning, commitment and documentation over several years to accumulate the needed points to score well," Jarrett said.

Annual Main Street event set for Oct. 27

The BA Police Department, along with the Main Street Merchants Association, is sponsoring "Night Out on Crime with Fun and Games on Main" from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Farmers Market, 418 South Main St.

Objectives of the event are to:

Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.

Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships.

Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back against crime.

Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts.

This event creates the opportunity for the police department and numerous public service agencies to distribute educational materials to area residents.

Attractions are geared toward family entertainment for children and parents.

The event will feature:

- 2,000 Free hot dogs courtesy of Reasor's on 71st and Lynn Lane
- 2,000 cups of soda, courtesy of Ferguson Pontiac
- 1,000 ice cream sandwiches, courtesy of Bluebell Ice Cream
 - Rollover simulator
- BAPD's Special Operations Team, bike patrol, communications, animal control, K-9, crime scene investigator, DIVERT and motorcycles.
 - Broken Arrow Fire Department
 - Vince and Larry Crash Dummies
 - McGruff the Crime Fighting DogNumerous non-profit agencies
 - Costume contest
 - Pumpkin decorating contest
- Petting zoo hosted by the Main Street Merchants along with Fun and Games on Main.

Eleventh annual National Night Out set for Oct. 2

National Night Out is set for Oct. 2.

This is the 11th year Broken Arrow residents have participated.

This event is a great opportunity to meet neighbors and spread the crime prevention message while having fun.

Last year's National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 15,000 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide.

In all, over 37 million people participated in National Night

The celebration can include

coloring contests, games, food, McGruff and police visits, and lots of good times and laughter.

Make sure YOUR neighborhood joins the party in 2010!

For more information, contact Lisa Ford, Crime Prevention Specialist, Broken Arrow Police Department at 918-451-8213.



To request a police officer call 918-451-8213.

To request a fire truck call 918-259-8335.

Bark for Life event scheduled for Oct. 20

Do you love dogs? Do you hate cancer? If the answer is yes to one or both of these questions then come and join us on Oct. 20 for Bark for Life of Broken Arrow.

The American Cancer Society's Bark For Life is a fund raising event associated with Relay For Life.

Bark For Life honors the caregiving qualities of our canine "Best Friends" and caregivers.

This is an event in which participants and their canine companions walk together and presents an opportunity for people to be empowered through their canine companion partnerships and to contribute to cancer cures through the mission of the American Cancer Society.

"Bark For Life brings together canines and their owners for a morning of fun activities that raise awareness about cancer - in both dogs and humans - and funds to fight cancer," said Danielle Roush, Event Chair. "Individuals who are willing to give their time and energy to this exciting event, as a volunteer or participant, have made a commitment to fight back against cancer and let the community know that cancer can be beat."

Dogs and their owners – either individually or as part of a Bark For Life team – participate in the

event, raising money prior to and at the event and then celebrating at the event both human and canine cancer survivorship, progress being made in the fight against cancer, and funds raised through Bark For Life to battle cancer.

On site at Bark For Life will be a number of fun activities and contests, vendors, food, and more.

For more information or to sign up please visit www.relayforlife.org/barkbrokenarrowok.

To volunteer or help sponsor the event please contact Kara Maxwell, Community Manager for the American Cancer Society at 918-477-5428 or kara.a.maxwell@cancer.org or Event Chair Danielle Roush at 918-857-6333 or roush911@ yahoo.com.

For more information about cancer, call the American Cancer Society's 24-hour help line at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www. cancer.org

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service





COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 1-31

Oct. 2 — National Night Out An opportunity to meet your neighbors and spread the crime prevention message while having fun! Contact Lisa Ford, Crime Prevention Specialist, Broken Arrow Police Department at 918-451-8213.

Oct. 2 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Oct. 2—Wine Eats & Easels 5:30-8:30 p.m., Broken Arrow Farmers Market, 418 S. Main St. Cost: \$40 for advance tickets, \$50 at event. Featuring wine, food, art and live music from Grady Nichols. For more information, call 918-815-2854, or visit www. bawinestasting.com.

Oct. 6 — Broken Arrow Farmers Market 8 a.m.-noon., 418 S. Main St. Free and open to the public.

Oct. 9 — Downtown Advisory Board 4 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Oct. 11 — Broken Arrow Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Oct. 13 — Broken Arrow Farmers Market 8 a.m.noon., 418 S. Main St. Free and open to the public.

Oct. 13 — Blue Bell Taste of Summer 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Blue Bell Creamery, 8201 E. Hwy 51. This outdoor ice cream festival at Blue Bell Creameries features self-guided tours of Blue Bell, live entertainment and all the ice cream you can eat. This annual open house, hosted by one of Broken Arrow's most well-known businesses, also features a wide variety of activities for children including inflatables, crafts and free admission

for all kids ages 6 and under. After touring the Blue Bell factory to see how ice cream is made, venture outside once more for live music. Put your stomach to the test in the hotly contested ice cream eating contest, or take it easy while enjoying scoops of your favorite ice cream flavors. For more information, call 918-258-5100.

Oct. 16 — Broken Arrow City Council 6:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Oct. 20 — Grill and Grilles on Main 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Broken Arrow Main Street. Grill and Grilles on Main, hamburger cook off competition and car show. For information and registration on the grilling competition, call 918-258-4328. For info and registration for the car show, call 918-266-6688

Oct. 23 — Downtown Advisory Board 4 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

Oct. 25 — Broken Arrow Planning Commission 5 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 220 S. First St.

October 27 — 40th Annual ESA Benefit Craft Show 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Oliver Middle School, 3100 W. New Orleans St. Admission: Free. Benefitting local charities and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Booth space available. For more information, call 918-251-0617, or e-mail craftshow102211@aol.com.

October 27 — Main Street Merchants Fun and Games on Main with Night Out Against Crime Free activities, food, safety and crime prevention information, clowns, ice cream, a Jupiter Jump and more.

Grill and Grilles on Main

Burger cook off and car show set for Oct. 20

Grill masters, don't put away your charcoal grills just yet.

The Broken Arrow Parks
Department and the Broken
Arrow Civitans will present Grill
and Grilles on Main hamburger
cook off competition and car
show from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 20
on Main St

Live entertainment and a kids interactive fun zone will be available.

Taster kits will also be for sale by the Broken Arrow Civitans for the public's opportunity to sample burger bites and choose a People's Choice winner.

Soon to follow a panel of judges will pick the "Grilled Burger Champion."

For information and registration on the grilling competition, call 918-258-4328.

For information and registration on the car show, call 918-266-6688.